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Striano Piano Quartet Will Perform at Central Library *Program Will Celebrate the Bicentennial of Robert Schumann's Birth Year*

SAN DIEGO – On Saturday, January 23, the City of San Diego Public Library will present a performance by the Striano Piano Quartet, a San Diego-based chamber ensemble composed of Maya Ginsberg, violin; Burt Fisch, viola; Carol Tolbert, cello; and Joe Valent, piano. The FREE program will be held at 2:30 p.m. in the third floor auditorium of the Central Library, 820 E St., in downtown San Diego.

As part of the celebration of the two-hundredth anniversary of the birth of Robert Schumann (1810-1856), the Striano Piano Quartet will feature the composer's Piano Quintet in E-Flat Major, op. 47. This highly impassioned, romantic work was written for Count Matvei Wielhorsky, an aristocratic cellist, who played in the premiere, along with Robert's wife Clara Schumann on piano, violin virtuoso Ferdinand David, and composer Niels W. Gade on viola. The Striano Piano Quartet will also perform music by Johannes Brahms, Gabriel Fauré, Antonín Dvořák, and Friedrich Kiel.

This is the first concert of the library's Winter/Spring 2010 Concert Series. The concert is free and open to the public. The 5 Star Parking lot no. 12, which is adjacent to the Library at the southeast corner of Broadway and Eighth Avenue, is available for free parking to those attending this concert. Enter the lot from Eighth Avenue. The Library thanks 5 Star Parking for making the complimentary parking available. Announcements of additional concerts in the Winter/Spring series will be publicized in the near future.

For further information, please call the Library's Art and Music Department at 236-5810, or visit the Library web site at www.sandiegolibrary.org.